

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Examiner: James William Rogers

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Title: Coatings for Implantable Devices Comprising Polymers of Lactic Acid  
and Methods for Fabricating the Same

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**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Examiner Rogers:

This is a Response to the Advisory Action mailed on October 20, 2008, and to the Final Office Action dated September 25, 2008.